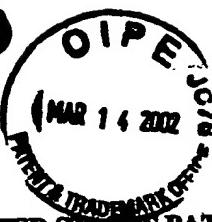


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In re Application of

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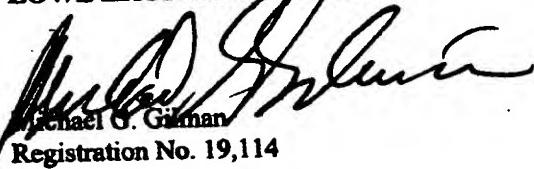
Sir:

We are in receipt of the Notice of Allowance and Allowability dated February 22, 2002.

In reviewing the Notice of Allowability, it is noted that we have not received acknowledgement of the claim for priority under Title 35, United States Code, Section 365(a). Attached hereto is a copy of the Declaration and the date-stamped postcard providing the claim for priority from PCT/US99/17172. Accordingly, Applicant hereby request that the priority claim be acknowledged *immediately* and a Priority Acknowledgement be issued to the undersigned.

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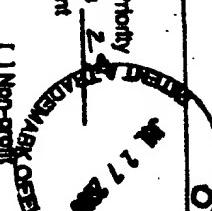
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